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"AN ACT CONCERNING THE SALE OF ELECTRIC, GAS AND OIL FIRED HEATING UNITS."

- 1 Strike everything after the enacting clause and substitute the
- 2 following in lieu thereof:
- 3 "Section 1. (NEW) (Effective October 1, 2003) (a) As used in this
- 4 section:
- 5 (1) "Electric heating unit" means equipment, including, but not
- 6 limited to, pressure vessels, indirect fired heaters, furnaces, heat
- 7 pumps and baseboard heaters designed to use electricity to provide
- 8 heat or domestic hot water for a residential dwelling or commercial or
- 9 institutional building.
- 10 (2) "Gas heating unit" means equipment, including, but not limited
- 11 to, pressure vessels, indirect fired heaters, furnaces, infrared heaters,
- 12 space heaters, unit heaters and gas burners designed to burn natural

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gas, gas or propane to provide heat or domestic hot water for a residential dwelling or commercial or institutional building.

- 15 (3) "Oil fired heating unit" means equipment, including, but not 16 limited to, pressure vessels, indirect fired heaters, furnaces, unit 17 heaters, space heaters and oil burners designed to burn fuel oil, 18 kerosene or waste oil to provide heat or domestic hot water for a 19 residential dwelling or commercial or institutional building.
- 20 (4) "Commissioner" means the Commissioner of Consumer 21 Protection.
 - (b) No person shall sell an electric or gas heating unit or oil fired heating unit requiring a building permit for installation unless the purchaser of the unit provides the seller with (1) the name and a copy of the occupational license of a properly licensed contractor who is purchasing the unit, or (2) verification that a building permit has been issued for the installation of the unit.
 - (c) Prior to releasing the unit specified in subsection (b) of this section to the purchaser, the seller shall record, in writing, the following information: (1) The date of purchase of the unit, (2) the name and address of the purchaser, (3) the contractor's name and occupational license number, if applicable, (4) a copy of the building permit and the name of the municipality that issued the permit, if applicable, and (5) the location where the unit will be installed. The seller shall maintain such records for a minimum of three years from the date of sale. The seller shall permit the commissioner, or the commissioner's authorized agents, to inspect and copy such records during normal business hours.
 - (d) The commissioner may impose a civil penalty of not more than one thousand dollars for each violation of this section. For purposes of this subsection, each sale of a unit in violation of subsection (b) or (c) of this section shall constitute a separate violation.
- (e) The provisions of this section shall not apply to the following: (1)

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44 Manufacturers of electric or gas heating units or oil fired heating units,

- 45 (2) the state or a political subdivision of the state, and (3) hearth
- 46 products. As used in this subsection, "hearth products" means propane
- 47 or natural gas fueled fireplaces, fireplace inserts, stoves, log sets and
- 48 associated venting and accessories that simulate the flame of a solid
- 49 fuel fire."

This act shall take effect as follows:	
Section 1	October 1, 2003